

DOI Work Activity 7Y: Assess/Treat Museum Items

Program Area:	Cultural and Heritage
End Outcome Goal:	PEO 3 - Protect Cultural and Natural Heritage Resources
Intermediate Outcome:	This activity does not align to an intermediate outcome
DOI Sub process:	4d - Conserve resources (perform resource treatments)

Examples/Notes: Museum items are all items formally acquired for the museum collection (i.e. museum property) Note: Items generally are cataloged at the time assessment/treatment is done.

Work Activity Description: All costs associated with performing detailed condition assessments, preparing treatment plans, and performing conservation treatments on museum items. Typically performed by an individual designated as a "Conservator". Also includes processing and managing outgoing loans to obtain condition assessments, treatment plans, and treatments.

Condition assessments include performing a conservation survey (collection condition survey). Preparing treatment plans include plans and cost estimates for conservation treatments. Performing conservation treatments include actions to clean, stabilize, repair or restore a museum item. Processing and managing outgoing loans includes all activities pertaining to outgoing loans for assessment/treatment, including selection of items, preparing the loan agreement, evaluating the qualifications and facilities of the borrower, documenting the loan and the condition and treatment information in the loan and catalog records in the bureau's automated system, packing and shipping, and processing the returned loan.

Does not include costs of constructing or maintaining museum buildings, constructing museum exhibits, including construction of exhibit furniture to conservation specifications, monitoring and maintaining museum exhibits and storage (**see DOI Work Activity 4B – Manage/Protect Museum Items**), or building maintenance. Treatment does not include preventive conservation, which involves non-interventive actions to prevent damage to and minimize deterioration of a museum item. Preventive conservation is covered under museum collections management (**DOI Work Activity 4B**).

Output: Museum Items assessed/treated	Unit of Measure: Number of Museum Items assessed/treated. Note: Assessment and treatment generally occur in different years. If they occur in the same year, count the item only once.
Inputs: Labor, Transportation, Travel, Equipment, Supplies and materials, Volunteers and partners	Cost Drivers: Stewardship (extant resource)

System Interfaces:

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